CSU Transformative (Read & Publish) and Subscribe to Open (S2O) Agreements

Transformative/Read and Publish Agreements

American Chemical Society (ACS)

UPDATE AS OF 6/10/25: Article Publishing Charges (APC) coverage for ACS articles ended July 1, 2025. Campuses will continue to be able to access ACS content after July 1, but the open access publishing component (APC coverage) has been suspended pending renegotiations with ACS for January 2026.

Association for Computing Machinery (ACM)

The CSU is participating in a 3-year agreement with ACM under their new **ACM Open** model (ending 10/31/2026).

22 CSU campuses are currently participating.

The ACM Open model moves away from the historical "read only" subscription model and allows corresponding authors affiliated with your institution to publish OA in ACM journals without needing to pay an APC. Eligible authors are identified by their campus email domain.

ACM's goal is to officially transition to "full flip" (fully OA publishing) in December 2025.

More information:

- Overview of ACM Open
- ACM Publications Eligible for Open Access Publishing Under ACM OPEN
- ACM Open FAQs
- CSU Email domains provided to ACM for ACM Open
- 2024 CSU ACM Publication Data (as of August 2024)

OA Publishing Statistics:

If you would like to set up access to your **ACM OA Dashboard**, which allows you to view and download published articles by authors affiliated with your institution, please follow the instructions listed here: **ACM Open Access Dashboard Set-Up**

(Note: Overall CSU publishing in ACM journals is relatively low, so it's very likely that there may be nothing in your dashboard for a while.)

Elsevier ScienceDirect

The CSU is participating in a 3-year Transformative Agreement with Elsevier (ending 12/31/2027). The cost of publishing open access is covered under the terms of this agreement. Eligible corresponding authors do not have to pay an article publishing charge (APC).

All CSU campuses are currently participating.

More info:

- CSU and Elsevier TA Guide
- Check Journal Eligibility under the TA

OA Publishing Statistics:

- Each campus has access to an Elsevier Open Access Platform portal where publishing data may be found.
- The admins for each campus vary. SDLC does not maintain a list of who has access to this portal for your campus. Please contact Elsevier directly if needed.

Oxford University Press Journals

The CSU is participating in a joint UC/SCELC/CSU 4-year Transformation Agreement with Oxford University Press (ending 12/31/2028). For participating campuses, the cost of publishing open access is covered under the terms of this agreement. Eligible corresponding authors do not have to pay an article publishing charge (APC).

20 CSU campuses are currently participating.

More info:

- CSU Press Release
- FAQs
- Author Guide

 Note: the FAQs and Author Guide links are from the University of California site, but the Agreement terms are the same for the CSU. Feel free to link directly to these pages or adapt them for local use.

OA Publishing Statistics:

- OUP was unable to set up administrator accounts for each campus. Reports can only be accessed via each consortia-level account
- SDLC will be sharing data widely at regular intervals during the course of the 4-year term.
- In the meantime, if you need something immediately, please contact Kirstie, Irene, or Ann directly: SDLC Contact Us page

Subscribe to Open (S20) Agreements

Annual Reviews

Under S2O, for journals in which the required subscription/funding levels are maintained, Annual Reviews will publish the current year's volumes of these journals open access under a creative commons license on each journal's respective official date of publication. Prior to each journal's official publication date, access to any articles made available in advance (also known as, "Reviews-in-Advance") will only be available to active subscribers.

9 CSU campuses are currently participating.

Subscriber benefits:

- Guaranteed permanent data rights to the content (regardless of the success of the offer)
- Access to Reviews in Advance (RIAs), which are articles available before their official publication date
- Enhanced back volume availability
- Demonstrated commitment to Open Access

Author Benefits:

- OA publication without any article charges. This provides equal OA support for authors from all institutions and to all fields of research
- Articles are published under a Creative Commons license

More info:

- Annual Reviews S2O Page
- Official S2O Launch Announcement
- S20 Introduction Video

Project Muse

Project MUSE has launched an S2O program built around their current journal collections model. To participate, libraries simply continue subscribing to the MUSE journals collections. Upon reaching a targeted threshold, the current year of a selection of journals in the collections will publish fully open access.

More info:

• MUSE S20 Program, (includes list of participating journals and publishers).

All CSU campuses are currently participating. This resource is part of the Electronic Core Collection.